

## ABSTRACT

In the lens drive unit 1; the 4 position retaining parts 31a are advanced by rotating the position retaining member 31, which is held in the case body 24 in such a manner as to become rotatable, in the R direction so  
5 that the 4 position retaining parts 31a are positioned just under the 4 protrusion parts 10a2 of the movable lens body 10, and eventually the movable lens body 10 can be retained at the middle position. Furthermore, the 4 through-holes 31b are advanced by rotating the position retaining member in the R direction so that the 4 through-holes 31b are positioned just  
10 under the 4 protrusion parts 10a2 of the movable lens body 10, and eventually the 4 protrusion parts 10a2 loosely get fitted into the 4 through-holes 31b of the position retaining member 31 to enable the body tube holder 10a to move downward.